

“There is not a single instance in history, in which the civil liberty was lost, and religious liberty preserved entire. If therefore we yield up our temporal property, we at the same time deliver the conscience into bondage.”

John Knox Witherspoon

After so much loss in our gained liberty, it's difficult to witness the regression of it, whether it's deliberate or not. Only 1:1,000 citizens have read The United States Constitution. I won't ask how many representatives here have read it, but I will point out that each of you has sworn an oath to preserve it, protect it, and to defend it against enemies both foreign and domestic. I just don't see that happening. It rolls off the tongue too easily and just as easily, seems to be dismissed, very noticeably over the last 2 years, using a health emergency to justify removing civil liberties, subdue citizens, interfere with religious liberty, forcing Christians to prove their faith to state agencies, schools, and Connecticut businesses; all granted the power to deny the strength of someone's faith by denying or approving their exemptions.

I think when you're elected into the seats you sit it, there's a tremendous emphasis on being a 'lawmaker', and not enough emphasis on the preservation of the ones that matter most. Roger Sherman, Connecticut's inventor of the bicameral system and The Great Compromise would stand before you and ask where the representation of the people was, because Connecticut has been under a 2 ½ yearlong one party ruling dictatorship, and the people in our great state have very little say in that. The job of representatives here today is to represent the people in their districts, not vote for a party agenda, or your individual conscience; and residents of Connecticut are seeing both. If you're not willing to both abide by the oaths you swore and cast a vote that represents your constituents, ending the abuse of emergency powers, and cease abusing lives and liberty, refusing to uphold The United States Constitution and honor the acceptance of your oath, then you are merely impersonating public officials, and that's a violation of state statute. You have knowledge of the law, a moral duty to prevent abuse, and the power to prevent it today. Will you fail to prevent it?

States can't be forced into mandates by The Federal government. I don't see a big difference in a violation of that when this state will enforce mandates the Federal government wants in exchange for funding it will provide if you all vote to continue a state of emergency that no longer exists. It's fraudulent given the current data. It's the removal of civil liberty in exchange for funds,

Sincerely,

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